GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:71
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IMPORT OF DANGEROUS INSECTICIDES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any complaint regarding large scale import of dangerous insecticides in the country which are banned in the developed countries;

(b) if so, whether in view of the complaints, Government propose to amend the Insecticides Act;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a)to(d): A few pesticides which are banned in one or other countries of the world are not banned for use in our country under the Insecticides Act, 1968. Banning/restricting the use by various countries including India is done on the basis of local agro-climatic and environmental conditions. There is no restriction on the import of pesticides which are not banned in India subject to the provisions of the Insecticides Act, 1968. As such, there is no need to amend the Insecticides Act in this regard.